

## GATHERING FOR THE WORD

Let us take this time to quiet our hearts and minds and prepare for worship.

\* Please stand if able      Plain text = Leader      **Bold text = People**

PRELUDE                                      *Praise Him! Praise Him!*      Arr. Lyndell Leatherman

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS                                      The Rev. Dr. Laura S. Sugg

\* CALL TO WORSHIP (Please stand)                                      Elder

We worship the Lord God Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

**Let all the peoples praise the Lord!**

We worship Jesus Christ, a radical healer.

**Let all the peoples praise the Lord!**

We worship the Holy Spirit, the teacher of peace.

**Let all the peoples praise the Lord!**

Let us worship God.

\* HYMN    *Spirit*                                      No. 319

PRAYER FOR RENEWAL (Please be seated)                                      Elder

Let us pray...

**God of everlasting life,**

**we confess that we continue in the ways of death.**

**You are faithful in your promise,**

**but we fail to keep your word.**

**You offer us the gift of peace,**

**but we remain captive in our fear.**

**Forgive us, God of grace.**

**Pour out your mercy upon us, heal our troubled hearts,**

**and lead us to walk in your light;**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

*(A time for silent prayer)*

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE    Laura Sugg

If we are in Christ, we are a new people altogether;

the past is finished and gone, everything has become fresh and new.

**In your great mercy, O God,**

**raise us from the death of sin to newness of life**

**and make us your people, unburdened by the past,**

**unfearful of the future, and joyful in the eternal present,**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\* SUNG RESPONSE                                      *Glory to God*                                      (see insert)

## HEARING THE WORD

GOSPEL READING                                      John 14:23-29                                      Pg. 103

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Deacon

TIME WITH CHILDREN    Tune STF 2233

*(As the children come forward, please join in singing.)*

***This, this is where children belong, part of our family, part of our song.***

***Be with us, pray with us, help us grow strong, this is where children belong.***

ANTHEM    *O, How I Love Jesus*                                      Anonymous

Children of WPC

REFLECTION    ***Our Advocate***                                      Laura Sugg

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Please Stand)                                      The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

Front of Hymnal Pg. 14

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

(Pray, "Forgive us our sins...")

Front of Hymnal Pg. 16

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

OFFERTORY    *I Surrender All*                                      Arr. Lyndell Leatherman

\*PRESENTATION OF OFFERING                                      *Doxology*                                      No. 591/2

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION    Laura Sugg

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SERVING COMMUNION

Bread is taken individually. Juice/wine is taken together; wine is in outer rings of tray.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS (see insert)

\* HYMN *Guide My Feet* No. 354

\* CHARGE & BLESSING

\* SUNG CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE STF No. 2223

***We are one in the Spirit We are one in the Lord  
We are one in the Spirit We are one in the Lord  
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:  
And they'll know we are Christians  
by our love, by our love;  
Yes they'll know we are Christians by our love.***

POSTLUDE *Processional of Joy* Based on Ode to Joy, Ludwig Beethoven

*Please come through to Fellowship Hall for coffee and conversation.*

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Pulpit Elder: Caroline Clovesko                      Deacon Reader: Jeff Stimson  
Greeter: Maxine Foster                              Children's Time: Kevin Crowe  
Usher: Kerry Gardner                              Sound Engineer: Jim Niquette  
Communion Servers: Ralph Hecox, Janette Powers, Dick Remington, Betsy Smith

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*WPC Mission Statement  
To worship God through faith and action,  
to nurture the spirit of Jesus Christ in each of us,  
to be an extended family to all,  
and to serve the community  
through programs, education and prayer.*

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